

REMARKS

Applicants thank Examiner Tarazano for conducting a kind and courteous discussion with Applicants' representative on July 28, 2004. The content of the discussion is reflected in the amendment to the claims and the comments contained herein.

Claims 41 and 48 are amended. Support for the amendments are found in the Specification, as originally filed. In particular, support for the amendment to claim 41 is found on page 26, lines 1-5. Upon entry of the amendment claims 22-50 will be active. Upon entry of the amendment, it is believed that no new matter will be added.

The rejection of claims 22-50 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting, as being unpatentable over claims 1-44 of U.S. Patent No. 6,485,832 is obviated, as Applicants file concurrently herewith a Terminal Disclaimer. It is requested that the Examiner withdraw this rejection.

The rejection of claims 22-50 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting, as being unpatentable over all the claims of U.S. Patent No. 6,759,130 is obviated, as Applicants file concurrently herewith a Terminal Disclaimer. It is requested that the Examiner withdraw this rejection.

The rejection of claims 41-43 and 49-50 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) under Nagashima et al. (U.S. 6,127,492) is obviated by amendment.

Nagashima describes a thermoplastic resin composition containing carbon fiber conductive carbon black, which is compounded into a thermoplastic resin containing an aromatic polycarbonate resin and an aromatic polysulfone resin.

This is in contrast to the claimed electroconductive sheet, which comprises a polycarbonate resin; 5-50 wt% of a carbon black; and at most 40 wt% of a graft resin, based on the polycarbonate resin.

Accordingly, it is requested that the Examiner withdraw this rejection.

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Since there is no suggestion or motivation contained within Nagashima's disclosure that would suggest that an electroconductive sheet contains these components, it is believed that the claimed sheet is unobvious in view of Nagashima's disclosure. It is requested that the Examiner acknowledge the same.

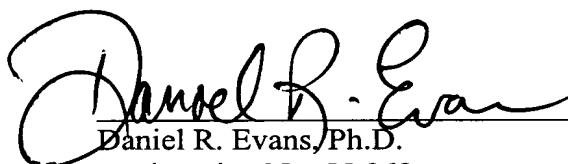
Finally, the objection of claim 48 is obviated by amendment. It is kindly requested that the Examiner withdraw this objection.

Consequently, in view of the amendments to the claims, the terminal disclaimers filed concurrently herewith, and the comments contained herein; it is believed the application is in a condition for allowance. An early and favorable indication of the same is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner deem that a personal or telephonic interview would be helpful in advancing this application toward allowance, he or she is encouraged to contact Applicant's undersigned representative at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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